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weekly whirligig

By K. W.

An Impression of Kagawa . . . dark and heavy horn-rimmed glasses mounting a large nose . . . prominent eyes . . . a mass of hair crowning his head . . . a jutting, determined, resolute chin. His clothes? No tailor's fashion plate here, but coarse, dark stuff, creased in the wrong places . . . an awry tie and a collar with the surly upcurl of a schoolboy's shirt . . .

But, the fascinating movement of his hands . . . fingers thick, but supple, roughened by the years of privation and suffering and sacrifice for his fellow countrymen . . . hands that penned countless sensitive poems, and human documents—"A Grain of Wheat", "Crossing the Death Line" . . . Hands that were the character of the man—blunt, uncompromising, enduring, but infinitely tactful and tender in their care of the "under-dogs" of society.

Penniless
I can share my rags,
But I——
I cannot bear to hear
Starved children cry . . .

Distinctive Standards . . . One of our best-known citizens is deeply perturbed by the conflict between Issei and Nisei, which he thinks grows more severe as more and more of the younger people grow old enough to display a spirit of independence. As he sees it, Parents are still trying to guide their children in the correct moral and social paths based upon the standards with which they are familiar. Children, on the other hand, have absorbed the more superficial aspects of western standards, and refuse to appreciate an undoubted well-intentioned have no appreciation for the good intentions of their parents, who seem unreasonable and oppressive.

What is needed, contends this citizen, is a new and distinctive Nisei code, realistically designed to meet this conflict. In concrete terms we need a compromise ideas of the Issei and Nisei over such things as boy-girl friendships, the time you come home at night, dancing, parties, necking, drinking, smoking and so forth. Undoubtedly some agreeable basis of moral education in these things today would save a lot of grief for all concerned in the future.

Cuff Notes . . . Cosmopolitanism—Honorary President of the Paldi Japanese Canadian Citizens League Chapter is named **Mayo Singh** . . . Hours and hours of work and worry, and all the cash that go into a **bridal entourage**—for a few brief minutes of crowning glory . . . What an **unscrupulous rat** a pseudo-newspaperman can be . . . We play golf because we can forget **five "W's"**—worry, war, work, women and wine . . . How many of us give it a second thought—that the gap between federal government tax income and estimated expenditure is two billions of dollars . . . Beginning today people in Japan will go without meat for four days of the week . . .

Nisei Vote Favored By Youth Congress

Vancouver.—The third annual B. C. Provincial Youth Congress meeting here last week-end again affirmed its support of the extension of the franchise to all citizens, irrespective of racial origin.

Photo by Columbia Studio.

International friendship and fellowship despite the darkening world situation was the spirit demonstrated at a reception yesterday at the Fuji held in honour of Japan's two foremost religious leaders, when Dr. Toyohiko Kagawa, internationally renowned figure, linked his arms with Dr. Yoshimune Abe, head of the newly federated Japan Christian Church in Japan, and Dr. F. W. Norwood, minister at St. Andrew's-Wesley, one of Vancouver's most prominent churches.

Kagawa Speaks On Japan

"I love Canada. Canadians behave much better than the British or Americans for they unite British common sense and American technology." A roar of laughter greeted these words at the Fuji—hardly words with which to open a luncheon speech before a gathering composed mainly of staid and intellectual Canadian and Japanese clergymen and business representatives, but typical of the direct straight-from-the-shoulder manners of Dr. Toyohiko Kagawa, internationally famed Christian and social leader of Japan.

Together with Dr. Yoshimune Abe, head of the newly formed Japan Christian Church, he passed through Vancouver yesterday en route to Los Angeles to a joint conference of the heads of the Protestant churches in Japan and the United States.

In his talk, Dr. Kagawa, who is best known to countless thousands through his social activities in Japan as the founder of a nation-wide movement of co-operatives that has grown to include 7,500,000 families in a short span of ten years and as the author of several best sellers including the famous "A Grain of Wheat," clarified the Christian movement in Japan today, which is being much misunderstood by Occidentals.

Japan, he pointed out, is intensely nationalistic. Political groups have been disbanded there. Similarly, but under no government compulsion whatsoever, 26 different denominations in the Protestant churches in the country have laid aside their differences to unite into one common church. He said that his own "Kingdom of God Movement" initiated in 1928 has contributed to the realization of this union.

As regards the question of war on the Pacific, Dr. Kagawa voiced his opinion that real peace must be an economic peace based upon goodwill and co-operation, that the leaders of Japanese and U.S. must meet and talk together in a spirit of prayer.

Nisei Too Material

Questioned later about the Nisei, he claimed they have too

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Governor-General Inspects Coombs Logging Camp

By GEORGE OBOKATA
(Special to The New Canadian)

COOMBS, B.C.—Twenty-four miles inland from this small community are the falling operations of the Cameron Lake Logging Company. And here in Coombs itself the logs, after falling and hauling, are yarded and loaded for shipment to the open market, from where ultimately they find their way as lumber to the United Kingdom. And seventy-odd employees of the company, both Occidental and Japanese, are more concerned with their daily tasks than with the great or near-great.

But last week a tall, distinguished English gentleman and a gracious English lady, together with a large party, paid them a quiet unheralded visit.

Leaving their cars on the highway, the party walked a mile over roads softened by spring rains to the yarding and loading operations.

They evinced keenest interest in all the details of logging, taking many pictures and plying questions upon M. H. Terakita, the Assistant Superintendent, who undertook to be their guide.

It was not until after the party had left that their identity was revealed. They were His Excellency, the Earl of Athlone, Governor-General of Canada, and his consort, H.R.H. Princess Alice, accompanied by their daughter, Lady Abel-Smith, and entourage, who had come to inspect British Columbia logging operations from the near-by Qualicum residence of Senator and Mrs. A. D. MacRae.

Inbound NYK Liners Will Dock First In Seattle

VANCOUVER.—A change of routing under which Nippon Yusen Kaisha liners will no longer sail direct from the Orient to this port was announced this week by local representatives of the line.

In future, the three well-known Maru motor vessels will make their first call at Seattle, discharge passengers and freight, and then come to Vancouver. The Heian Maru, which docked here Thursday, is the last ship to sail here direct from Japan.

Port Angeles will now be the quarantine inspection point, instead of William Head.

The liners, however, will continue to sail regularly from Vancouver as in the past, the only ships now plying a regular North Pacific Run from this port.

Health Officer Reports Over-strain

Vancouver.—Charges of Ald. H. D. Wilson in formal Council meeting that Japanese school authorities had "absolutely refused" to produce text books used in the classes were blown up as usual at a meeting of the sub-committee of the Council, when letters were read stating that none of the original books were extant, and the revised ones were required in classrooms.

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It was indicated, however, that school authorities would make a search for copies of the original text and purchase additional copies of the new book for the Aldermanic committee.

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At Tuesday's meeting, Dr. Harold White, director of school health services reported that: "Daily observation of these children for many years had convinced health workers that in general they are suffering from over-strain as shown by the appearance of fatigue and by irritable action of the heart."

"It is recognized," Dr. White continued, "that the day's school work combined with the usual amount of home work is all that most children can accomplish without detriment to their health."

The committee next week will decide whether to urge the Provincial Department of Education to investigate the health aspect of the schools.

RCMP Plan Vancouver Is., North Coast Registration

Vancouver, April 18.—With the last resident of the Steveston area expected to be registered today, and the central Vancouver office still running smoothly, travelling units of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Registration detail will shortly set out to cover the outlying parts of the Province, Inspector D. L. McGibbon told The New Canadian today.

Two registration officers with the necessary clerical staff will leave for Cumberland next Monday to begin registration in that centre. On May 1 a detail will be dispatched to Prince Rupert, with registration to commence on May 4.

The Vancouver Island Unit will move down the island southward, shuttling back and forth to cover all points. From Alberni it will cover the west coast districts, including Tofino and Ucluelet. It is also expected to travel to the northern end of the Island to register Port Alice, Englewood and other small centres. Inspector McGibbon anticipates that the main portion of the Island as far south as Victoria will probably take over two months.

Notice of when to expect the registration unit is expected to be telegraphed ahead to each point, but residents are asked to be prepared with photographs and documents well in advance.

Southward From Rupert

The northern B. C. unit will work southward from Prince Rupert, covering the principal fishing areas and cannery villages, as far as Rivers Inlet. Points further south, such as Woodfibre and Britannia will probably be handled directly from the Vancouver office.

Dependent upon the progress of these two units, either the Fraser Valley or the Okanagan areas will be registered next, Inspector McGibbon said.

Under staff changes necessitated by transfers and promotions, Supt. A. S. Cooper is expected to assume charge of the registration, and Constable W. J. Durnan will take over duties of Sergeant J. K. Barnes.

Femme-Fare

By Cinderella

FOR WOMEN ONLY

We reap what we sow.

Girls, we reap only what we sow, and if those pretty compliments about our hair, or eyes, or smile, do not come our way, it's nine-tenths our own doing.

Haven't you said it yourself, now? It might have been one night, coming home from a show, just beneath lamplight, or perhaps during a dreamy waltz, or even at work, that someone has suddenly seen you for the first time in your true colors; become suddenly aware of your good points and said, "My, you're really nice-looking, aren't you?" or "You remind me of Claudette Colbert" (what a hope!) or "I like the way you smile".

Ten to one, you came out with "How much do you want—a quarter?" or "Don't be a nut!" or "You're not so bad yourself." No wonder those pretty compliments don't come your way!

Which class do you fall into?

If you fall into the "How-much-do-you-want—a-quarter?" or the "Don't-be-a-nut!" class, you're only being hard-boiled or smartly glib, and you'll pay for it in the long run. We all know it's an easy way to cover up embarrassment or self-consciousness but let's consider it from the other point of view. It takes courage to give a compliment. And compliments are sincere, and a retort like the above two infers that the giver of the compliment is a Casanova or a flatterer.

Or perhaps you giggle and mumble and flutter. That's twice as bad for it gives the gentleman the idea that you've never had a compliment given to you before. The reaction to this is that if he's not quite a gentleman, he'll string you along for the fun of it or leave you alone with a mental note that maybe he was wrong and that he had imagined non-existent virtues.

Or, maybe you are the "You're-not-so-bad-yourself" type. Well, let me tell you a story told by a lady on "charm." It's exactly what you are doing when your answer is the last mentioned. A little girl was told by her chum that her dress was pretty. She smirked at her little friend and said, "Your dress is pretty, too."

So, one should never return a compliment in kind at the time one is given. It's like anti-climaxing a rousing good story. Let the complimenter have the stage. It'll satisfy the ego, and what self-respecting person hasn't some of that!

One doesn't have to go into rhapsodies or play coyly demure to a spoken praise. You must admit that it's wonderful to be told that you're nice. "I'm so glad you like it," "You are very kind," or even just "Thank you" is appropriate. Then continue to talk about something away from the thing complimented, but in so doing, remember that the topic must be one suggested by what has been said or all your efforts to be tactful in changing the subject to a less personal matter will appear as merely crude.

We all know it is much easier to give compliments than to receive them, for generally, receiving them stirs up our deep-laid feelings of inferiority, while giving satisfies the ego in the giver. And to be able to accept graciously, with poise, dignity and appreciation is one secret of this elusive thing called "charm."

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An Unfinished Symphony.

Spring, a full moon, a boy and a girl with Cupid at their heels . . .

He picked up a soiled handkerchief . . . and she had to admit it was hers.

He noticed a grimy powder puff in her purse . . . and she didn't have to admit it was hers.

He cuddled her close and her frock slipped . . . and a grey shoulder strap was displayed.

He kissed her hair in the moonlight . . . and it hadn't been shampooed for a week.

. . . *and then, CUPID FLED!*

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A Day . . . In Victoria

By E.H.

Morning . . . the cock crows, the robins take up the melody . . . and the honey-sweet scent of lilac after rain . . . the cathedral chimes . . . the gradual awakening of a small town from sleep with the milk wagon making its morning rounds . . .

Noon . . . the children rushing home from play . . . the noon hour whistle . . . the baker and his horse . . . the sound of cutlery through screen doors . . .

Afternoon . . . the buzz of a bumble bee wooing the early roses . . . the spring breeze scattering lilac scent . . . the sun high in the mid-west . . . the sound of lawn mowers . . . the tinkle of tea cups and women's voices . . .

Twilight . . . and tranquility suspended . . . the opalescent sky as the sun sinks in the west . . . the cool breath of night air . . . the croak of a frog . . . the lights coming on one by one in the cottages . . . mothers' voices . . . children's running feet . . . and peace.

Night . . . deep silence and the gathering darkness of night . . . long shadows of ebony as the moon glimmers through the trees . . . a handful of stars . . . the steps of a man and a girl . . . the nine o'clock curfew . . . deserted streets . . . a lonely traveller . . . and darkness of a city going to sleep.

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YOUNG VIOLETS

They will be waiting still
While the leaves unfold,
Waiting among the roots
While the earth wakes.

Patience will listen here
While the petals hold
Through the chill waking night
The hearts of gold.

Patience—and then will rise
At the edge of sight
Blue of forgotten lakes,
Purple of star-lit skies.

—*E.S.L.*

Spring, 1941

Spring, 1941, spells jackets, sweaters, and skirts in stunning combinations.

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'round The MUSIC BOX *with a.y.*

THE clamping of a total of $35,250 in fines on the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (probably better known to us all as the madcap "ASCAPS") its leaders and 19 publishing houses on March 13 has written another chapter of frustration in the week history of American jazz music.

Your columnist has watched the whole proceeding with a somewhat quizzical and bewildered eye, all the more so since they have had a marked effect on one of his favourite radio programs, "Your Hit Parade."

The story briefly is this: On December 31, 1940 the contract between the ASCAP and the two major broadcasting networks in the United States, giving the radio companies the rights to broadcast the music controlled or copyrighted by ASCAP, was due to expire. ASCAP and radio officials negotiated for a renewal of their previous agreement. The radio barons, however, felt their hair stand on end when they were politely informed that ASCAP music was at a premium and that the rates would be raised just a teeny-weeny bit. Whereupon the atmosphere became charged with static and electricity with the "positive" ("gimme") ASCAPS taking the opposite pole from the "negative" ("no sir") radio companies—the innocent public bearing the brunt of the storm. Government intervention followed. ASCAP officials as I have said before were ultimately fined for violating the Sherman anti-trust law, "including conspiracy to pool and control desirable copyrighted music available for commercial use and maintain monopoly." The radio companies were told a few things too.

"ASCAP" vs. RADIO

And yet, as far as I have heard, the two parties have not come to terms. If any of you readers happen to hear any of Hoagy "Stardust" Carmichael's or Irving Berlin's pieces over the NBC or Columbia networks you'll know all's well on the U.S. airlanes again. Offhand, I should say these two song-writers are among the two most popular composers whose music has been banned by the networks since January 1, 1940.

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AND how does this controversy affect "Your Hit Parade"? If you have been following this program steadily since February, I guess you have noticed that for nine, NINE straight weeks the song, "I Hear a Rhapsody," has topped the nation's favourites. On April 5 it slipped to fourth spot but last week it boomeranged to the top for the TENTH time. "I Hear a Rhapsody" is as pretty as pretty tunes go, but its record-shattering run of ten firsts (compared to eight for "My Reverie" and seven for other top-notchers) under the present set-up, is like ranking first in a grade where the pupils aren't overly bright. It's a hollow achievement. What is your opinion?

HIT PARADE

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AS good as a thrill that comes once in a lifetime was a letter from a fan way out in Kelowna. But, oh, oh, his queries showed up my woeful ignorance of popular music. Would some of you fans like to pinch-hit for me sometimes? At any rate, "A.K.", in reply to your questions I made enquiries as regards Phil Harris' recording engagements and have been told that he has waxed in the past for almost every firm in the business, most of his recent pressings appearing on the now-bankrupt "Varsity" company. Until recently he's been playing a good deal over the Mutual Don Lee system, but now his theme "Rose Room" is seldom heard. For an occasional half-hour, his breezy, informal style provides good listening. (More about "Dixie" later, "A.K.", and thanks a million for your peppy letter.)

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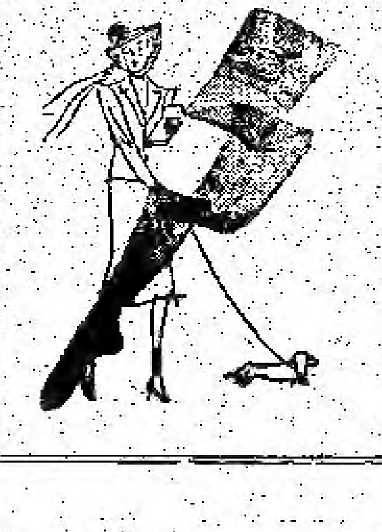
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down memory lane

By Mari

TODAY I slipped through a gate grown shabby and rickety with the years, down a long, untrodden lane, into a quiet place, to a house weather-beaten and deserted, with cobwebs where curtains used to hang and wave in the early Spring breeze, and boards where a light used to shine. I had come home.

Nature is kind. The flowering lilac near the stone wall has grown more profuse with the years, and hangs heavy with purple blooms, spilling its faint perfume everywhere, haunting the senses with bits of unforgotten experience. The roses are in bloom again, and the red petals have fallen as of old, upon the dark, rich soil, blood red against black ebony loam. The old cherry tree cradles in its weatherbeaten old trunk, a happy secret of what might have been—two hearts engraved and a date—a mere notation which means nothing to the world, but which was an April victory for two people one day a long time ago. These things remain.

I inserted the key — treasured all these years—into the lock, and slowly the door creaked and a thousand echoes came to greet me out of the silent empty room like old friends, and as my eyes became accustomed to the dimness, I saw it all—the dear familiar things, the dear familiar places—things and places which were sacred to me and to me alone.

Yes, I would come here for this was home. I would polish the windows and put a new coat of paint on the walls, and hang fresh curtains. Here, where life passes in an easy dream and where people are kind, and the days an unending stretch of roseate dawns turning into long sunny hours of golden sunshine, ending in cool dark nights . . . . . here I would come, for surely where love is and the dreams are, so is the heart.

I climbed up to my room. Nothing was changed. Only the dust of the years pread like a protective covering over my youthful treasures, left behind in this old house when each of us had gone on our "adventure" we used to call it—on "the road of high adventure." This was my proud library undisturbed, "Little Women," "Anne-of-Green Gables," "Westward Ho," "Blue Castle," "Treasury of Canadian Verse," "Hiawatha," "Evangeline," and "Under the Lilacs."

I took down "Little Women." Inscribed on the fly leaf was "To Mari, who is like Jo." Jo had had courage and a care-free buoyancy—she did things. And someone had thought, in those days, that I was like Jo. Would Jo do the things I was planning to do? It was an uncomfortable thought.

I opened the drawers and yellowed papers scattered everywhere . . . . closely written in a childish scrawl . . . bits of scribbling . . . . a poem strangely reminiscent of Bliss Carmen:

April beloved, hangs high upon the bough.
And I can take of April, all her lovely things . . .

snatches of songs:

The wind, the sun and the starlit sky'

an essay marked 'A':

The world is before us—ours the shining future!

Youthful exuberance when the world was all sunlight and laughter, hopes and youth's sweet young dreams. And I had thought then, that I was to become famous—irrevocably and fore-ordained! And such stuff as these were to be my offering at that Muse's shrine. I had only these and nothing more.

And tucked away in one corner of the drawer was a pennant and a pin —a pin which singled me out, together with seven others, out of 2000 students, as most likely to succeed. Most likely to succeed!

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SUDDENLY I hated it all . . . . this house and the relentless march of the years . . . . and the dreams that were locked up in this tiny room. I had come here seeking something which I had lost when I went "adventuring," and the dear familiar things which had been a source of pleasure now turned to mock me, not unkindly perhaps, but gently, with the powerful gentleness which is more potent than harsh words or acts.

I was no longer a part of this old house. I was no longer a part of this old house because I came back seeking an escape. The dreams and the hopes that had shaped this place had been courageous ones and not ones which were born of fear or despair or futility.

I had been happy in this house a long time ago because in that long ago, I had lived my "present" believing ina glorious future. It was not what I had possessed, nor the kind of people about me, that had made my time here happy days, but rather that all my efforts, small and obscure that they were, were put forth with an eye toward a goal.

Quietly I closed the door behind me, and retraced my steps from Memory Lane. The lilac swayed a sad farewell. In my hand was the key to th ehouse. Without a backward glance, I threw it over my shoulder . . . . for I shall never come again.

My Gypsy Wind

YOU! Gipsy Wind, are you going now,
Out with your ragged fleeces?
Ho, Gipsy Wind, say you farewell
To the faded fallen leaves?

Say, Gipsy Wind, with your boist'rous laugh,
Off to the snow-bound track?
Pray, Gipsy Wind, when autumn's around,
Will you be breezing back?

You never liked green leaves to cling
Too tightly to each tree;
You demand of them to blush and yield
Before your chuckling glee.

You never liked the summer airs
To bind you, Gipsy Wind;
The lazy clouds that drifted past
To mock you, Gipsy Wind.

Proud Gipsy Wind with your ragged sleeves,
Without you, what shall I do?
Dear Gipsy Wind, tempestuous god,
My heart goes north with you!

—dana

for a' that

By T.M.K.

I KNEW a boy once, and his name was Masao. He fell in love one day when he was still very young. To him, then she was the epitome of charm and desirability, a shining jewel among all the girls he had ever met. Then his mother found out. His mother was an old-fashioned Issei. Can you guess what happened after that? You can pretty well tell, can't you, that the knife of parental displeasure fell hard on the two young innocents, cutting them apart forever.

Perhaps, he would have outgrown her anyway, if he had been left alone to adore her in his own way. Perhaps *she* was to have been the only one in his life. How was he to know? Especially as he never saw her again except from a distance. That distance lent her glamour that perhaps *she* did not really have. *She* seemed to him as the one precious treasure he had lost through the unsympathetic intolerance of one who, of all people, should have understood his need. His mother should have been his best friend when he was going through the exquisite throes of his first love affair.

The young must go through all the stages of physical, mental, and psychological growth before they can be truly adult. If they are denied the natural outlets for their young and wholly unconscious animal spirits, their altogether delightful yet excruciating sensitive adolescence, what can you expect but moody frustration. They must dance and sing and worship and study. Sports, parties, girl-friends and boy-friends, these they must take in their stride as they study and grow towards manhood and womanhood.

It would be a good idea if the younger Niseis and the growing Sanseis could have a more tolerant understanding from the parents and guardians about these ever-increasing Dances. At present, dancing is the form of social recreation that is most popular with the younger crowd, or even the older one. If the parents would only keep to themselves their old-fashiond fears concerning the alleged promiscuity of cheek-to-cheek dancing, the young would not find such forbidden thrills in it.

I do not countenance open defiance of objecting parents. Defiance makes for unhappiness all around, but, if we could get the Issei to stage a few parties for the Nisei and have the former watch the latter have fun untrammelled, laugh in wholesome enjoyment of dancing and a bit of flirting, I am sure there would be a better understanding of the needs of the Canadian-born. If we could teach our parents to dance, then they might see how it is with the young.

It is humiliating and tragic when you feel your parents don't trust you with a girl or a boy. I am sure that is the best way to start a smoldering grudge against all and any kind of legitimate Issei authority. To prevent such misunderstanding between parent and child, here's a wee bit o' advice that I offer with true deference to the wisdom and sympathy of adults who would see our point of view if they knew more about it:

Trust the young's inherent good common sense, and they will repay a thousand-fold with gratitude and consideration.

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Russo-Japanese Pact

VARYING interpretations have been attached to the diplomatic manoeuvre accomplished last week in the signing of a Soviet Russia-Japan neutrality pact, but probably the strongest weight is attached to the prediction of an active Japanese drive toward southern Asia.

Whether any such move will be made, and if so, what possible conflict will it precipitate are questions which possibly may be answered within the space of a few weeks.

It is not likely, however, that the new treaty will be beneficial to local Japanese Canadians through a lessening of feeling and suspicion against them. Rather the reverse is probably true, and military or naval developments in Europe and in Asia are likely to have a direct and vital bearing upon the status of Canadians of Japanese ancestry in this province.

For us, of course, there is little that can be done, beyond that which we are doing. Our course, ever since the war began, has been to serve Canada as loyal subjects and good citizens. We have attempted to carry as much of the war burden as possible, as the current war services drive in Vancouver has illustrated. First among all groups, the Japanese community contributed a sum 33 1-3 per cent over its quota. Both by word and deed throughout the province there has been a continuing emphasis upon a Canadian outlook and a Canadian spirit on the part of every individual.

Today neither new pacts nor new conflicts, external nor internal, will shatter that spirit, but will serve only to strengthen and deepen our determination to serve as Canadians and ultimately to win recognition as such.

The Strain Of Language Schools

A NEW move against the Japanese language school has again cropped up in Vancouver's City Council, again at the direct instigation of Alderman H. D. Wilson. As far as the worthy alderman is concerned, this journal has neither the space nor the patience to re-emphasize the already-proven falsity of his charges; long and irritating experience has already revealed to us that he is rarely, if ever, to be taken seriously in any discussion of the Japanese question in British Columbia.

But Dr. Harold White, director of school health services, and presumably a specialist in his chosen field, who knows whereof he speaks, has broached a provocative and disturbing angle, even if it is by no means new. In a report submitted to a special committee of aldermen, Dr. White declares that health workers are convinced that children suffer from overstrain caused by the additional work imposed by the language school.

If Dr. White's conclusions were to be the sole basis for a decision on the school issue, there would undoubtedly be good reason for seeking to have these classes abolished. The problem, however, is a much wider one than this, and embraces far more than only a consideration of the effect of longer hours of study upon the health of children. Essentially, parents, school authorities, citizens and even pupils themselves are faced with the larger question of deciding whether or not the benefits accruing from study in these schools warrant the additional strain demanded of the children.

And here the practical, day-to-day experience of several thousand young Canadian-born Japanese, including both those who have attended the schools, and those who have not, offers overwhelming evidence to justify the continued functioning of the language classes.

Ninty-nine per cent of Canadian-born Japanese, of an age sufficient to judge, will declare from their own personal experience that a knowledge of the Japanese language is essential for effective and wholesome relationships which in the past have been largely responsible for the most enviably-low rate of juvenile delinquency in the city. And these are the relationships which are in need of even further broadening and deepening, if increasingly grave social problems within the family and community are to be met successfully.

The same ninety-nine per cent will declare from that same personal experience that a knowledge of the Japanese language is practically an indispensable asset in seeking employment. With discrimination both in law and in fact imposing very real restrictions upon vocational outlets, it is a recognized and regrettable fact that the vast majority of Canadian-born Japanese whatever their talents and education, can find work only from Japanese-speaking buying public.

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The simple fact of the matter is that if the pupils meet with a strain through the study of the Japanese language, it is an unavoidable strain, and is but a part of the whole burden which members of any immigrant group seeking to assimilate into an adopted country must face, endure and overcome. There is no immigrant group which wholly escapes from the conflict between an old and new cultural background, between a new and older group of people. In the case of Oriental immigrants, this universal conflict is simply deepened on the ne hand by very diverse cultural heritages, and on the other by intense human prejudice directed against a new people racially very different from the old.

Responsible officials of the Provincial Department of Education are fully conversant with all these angles to the situation. And where they have issued permits, they have been satisfied upon due investigation that nothing that could be construed as subversive or anti-Canadian is being offered in the courses of instruction.

The Japanese school authorities can be depended upon to do their utmost to minimize the strain imposed by the extra study required. After all they are dealing with their own children. They would undoubtedly welcome the assistance and advice of the school health service in achieving that end.

But there is neither reason nor common sense in arguing for the closing of the schools, and wilfully or stupidly ignoring the very real and valuable functions they have performed and must continue to perform for some years to come.

«»Confetti«»

By "SUE SADA"

The rose is as sweet by any other name, but will the Japanese in Canada, or in the States, retain their original syllabic names? Through unhappy mispronunciations and misspellings might not a Kitagawa eventually evolve into a Kittygaw? Or a Shiosaburo degenerate into a Shaw?

Perhaps we ought to translate our names into English before they lose all their original sound and meaning. We would then have a pretty collection of suffixes such as "villes", "rivers", "woods" and "paddys".

For instance, Tamura can be Paddyville; Akagawa would be Redriver; Matsubayashi would be Pinewood.

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South of the border: the Japanese Americans now living in foreign lands are liable to loss of citizenship if they remain out of the U. S. after a certain date. If they happen to be stuck in whatever part of the world they are in, and if they are desirous of keeping their American nationality, they must make special arrangements.

One gathers there are a great many American Niseis in Japan. Will every one of them make haste to affirm their American citizenship, or will some of them neglect to do so? American Nisei are born to citizenship. They never had to fight for it. It is their birthright. Will they value it only after they have lost it?

The quality of loyalty is the more refined for having been through the fire, and the Canadian Nisei, when they receive their ultimate rights and privileges as Canadian citizens can be depended upon to guard them jealously.

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The third generation will be the vaunted ancestors of our unborn generations. Born to Niseis who have known want and limitations, they will know as much of plenty and leisure as their young parents can manage. They will be dressed with greater care and fashion, fed according to the best Child Health rules, polished with numerous accomplishments. They shall be better-looking, more fastidious, and infinitely more snobbish (I'm afraid) than the present second generation. But let's hope that the Sansei and Shisei can be as hardy as their pioneer forebears when it comes a tackling a dirty job that has to be done.

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Spiritually the Niseis in Canada are still unborn. Attendance at church or temple is sporadic. There is an unfortunate indifference to religious faiths as spiritual guides among the majority who teeter between Christianity and Buddhism, and who end up as agnostics. Consequently the children receive little or no training in the recognized morals and conscientious catechisms of any creed.

In childhood this lack is scarcely missed, but in later life when the complexities of life weigh heavily, they yearn for some inner strength they know not what. An upswing in spiritual belief is one of our gravest needs today.

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Confessions Of A Married Man

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MANY have already asked me: "How does it feel to be a married man?" To each one I have answered: "Great."

Some faintly smiled as if to pity the naive innocence of this newlywed. Others cynically remarked:

"Oh, yeah? Wait till you're married a year. You'll sing a different tune."

Perhaps I will; and perhaps not. A man will either have to be a crystal-gazer or a fool to predict definitely how he will feel one year from now. One never knows what twelve months will bring. Tomorrow's human affairs are as uncertain as the final destiny of a smoke.

Of this much I am certain. Now that I am married, my room will be much neater and cleaner. There was a time when I could not set a foot in my room without stepping on a shoe or a slipper. A pair of last week's sox tossed here . . . reams of paper scattered all over the floor . . . wrinkled shirts flipped over a chair . . . a hat thrown on the table . . . and the bedding piled and twisted like the aftermath of a cyclone . . . That was the state of my bachelor room.

Now I can show the room to any meticulous person and have no fear of criticism. True, at first I had a hard time finding my things. I felt as though I were in a different room, but now I'm glad and proud of the change.

This married life has me eating at home more often. I was in the habit of dropping into any cafe for a bite. Now that I have some one to cook for me at home I'll be an infrequent restaurant counter-leaner. I know I'll prefer home cooking, because I've married a woman who doesn't wear a can-opener around her neck.

Finally, now that I'm married, no more gallivanting around for me. During my bachelor days I covered hundreds of miles flitting here and yon, wherever moods and desires took me. All this gallivanting I've traded for a two-room flat I call "Our Home." Do I regret it? Does a man ever regret having a castle all his own? I'd much rather live in a shack I can call my own than in a borrowed castle.

Some will say I'll miss my gallivanting days, now that I'm anchored down by a wife. If a wife is an anchor, she is exactly what a man needs. He just has to have some one who can persuade him to stay in one place long enough to accomplish something worthwhile. A fellow needs to have some responsibility handed to him before he can honestly feel he is a full-grown man.

A lot of sentimental mush, you say? Try this marriage business yourself and maybe you, too, will feel like a full-sized man.

FENS

Gray dawn in the fen
Blue sky;
And a gray heron stood
In a deep blue pool—
A silent sentinel
Of the marsh.

G. O. E.

Town Topics . . .

● *Red Cross Supper*

The Red Cross Buffet Supper, originally planned for April 17, at the home of Convenor Mrs. E. Kitagawa has been postponed to a date late in May, it was announced this week. May 22 is the new date for the affair.

● *Powell United Tuxis*

Powell Church Tuxis boys under Mentor Hajime Suzuki, will be generous hosts on Friday evening, April 25, in the Night School Room to teen aged members of the Canadian Girls In Training group of the Church.

The following night, Saturday, the Tuxis boys will hold a swimming party at the renovated Crystal Pool, from 10:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. Tickets at a very low price may be obtained from members.

● *Kumamoto Social Postponed*

April 19 is the new date for the funfest being sponsored by the Kumamoto Seinenkai at the Fuji. This friendly get-together formerly scheduled for April 13, will begin with a sumptuous banquet at 6:00 to be followed by dancing.

● *Scribblers Circle*

Mr. A. Roy Evans, currently writing a novel about the second generation in British Columbia, is expected to be the honored guest at the next meeting of the circle tentatively set for May 3, at the home of Mrs. E. Kitagawa.

● *Church of Ascension*

The Church of Ascension Junior Church will hold its first annual general meeting on Saturday, April 19, at 7:00 p.m. All members of the Junior Church and all those interested in the Junior Church are requested to attend the meeting at the Church of Ascension, 1701 West Third Avenue. A social will be held after the meeting and refreshments will be served.

● *Nuptials and Nuptials*

Ouchi - Chiba . . . . Before a small circle of relatives, late Monday afternoon, Rev. K. Shimizu read the rites which united in marriage Betty Yoko, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. K. Chiba, and Mr. Edward T. Ouchi, second son of Mr. T. Ouchi, of this city. Mrs. Reg. Yasui attended the bride, and Mr. T. Shoyama supported the groom.

Shigematsu—Saito . . . . Cumberland, Steveston and Vancouver will share in the interest in the wedding to be performed this coming Saturday in the Steveston United church, when Mrs. Chise Saito will give in marriage her eldest daughter, Yuriko, to Mr. Tsunao Shigematsu, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Shigematsu, of this city. Rev. K. Nomoto will perform the ceremony.

Fujie Saito, younger sister of the bride, will accompany the bride at the altar, while Art Tateishi will be the best man.

Shibuya-Tanabe . . . . A marriage of very wide interest in the city was consummated at the Powell United Church Thursday evening, when marriage vows were repeated by Hisako, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. K. Tanabe, and Kiyoshi Harry Shibuya, only son of Mrs. Y. Nakazawa. Rev. K. Shimizu performed the ceremony.

Attending the bride was Miss Bessie Nakazawa, while Mr. Cecil Okawara supported the groom.

Urano-Takeuchi . . . . Announced Monday at the home of the bride-elect was the engagement of Yaeko, third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Y. Takeuchi of Whonock to Mr. Yonesaku Urano, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Y. Urano of South Port Mann.

Miike-Tobo . . . . The Holy Cross Anglican Mission was the setting for a late afternoon wedding last Saturday, when Hisako Tobo and Muneo Miike were united in marriage by the Rev. G. G. Nakayama. The bride is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Tobo, and the groom, the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. U. Miike of Marpole. Attending the principals were Miss Rose Sato and Mr. Jiro Miike.

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Bobby Ito Triumphs In Welsh Festival

VANCOUVER, — Outstanding Nisei of last week was probably diminutive, silver-voiced Bobby Ito, ten-year old son of Mr. and Mis. J. Ito, who has long since established a reputation as one of the most gifted Nisei child singers and elocutionists.

Participating in the annual Welsh musical festival, at the Cambrian Hall last Thursday and Friday, Bobby won first place in the ten-year old class, and third place in the 9-10 class for elocution.

The Province last week headlined his triumph.

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good an environment. As a result they are too engrossed in the material things of life. He believed that they needed a spiritual upheaval and that they should pray for a new impetus, a creative force.

Dr. Abe told his listeners that the union of the churches presaged a "new dawning" in the history of the Christian church in Japan. All but the Anglican and Seventh Day Adventist sects have joined. He said that in holding the conference at Los Angeles, April 20-25, the leaders of the two countries were relying not on their powers but were placing their faith in God and His wisdom. Many local Japanese remember Dr. Abe as the former pastor at the Sapperton United Church in New Westminster 30 years ago.

Welcoming the delegation at the luncheon was Dr. F. W. Norwood of St. Andrew's-Wesley, on behalf of the Canadian churches, Mr. K. Shoji, vice-president of the Canadian Japanese Association.

Accompanied by their secretary, Rev. K. Ogawa (B.A. at University of Southern California, and B.D. at Oberlin). Dr. Kagawa and Dr. Abe left in the evening on the Heian Maru for Seattle from where they will travel to California to join the other six members of the Japanese Christian Fellowship deputation, who arrived at San Francisco direct from Japan.

Honor Graduating Students

Brock Hall Setting For J.S.C. Dinner

By P. F. Y.

Amid academic splendour the tenth Annual Graduation Banquet of the Japanese Students' Club will be held in the beautiful Dining room of the new Brock Hall on April 30, at 6:30 p.m.

Twelve graduates will leave behind their academic mantles and don their 'robes of life', to carve their niches in society. Receiving their Bachelor of Arts degrees are Kiyoshi Kato, Hiroshi Kawaguchi, Kiyoaki Momose, Harry Nikaido, George Shimotakahara, Satoru Watanabe. Graduating as Bachelors of Commerce are Tetsuo Aoki, Tatsuo Sanmiya, Luke Tanabe. Winning their Bachelor of Science in Agriculture degrees are Arthur G. Sakamoto, Yukio Tamura. The lone Bachelor of Applied Science is Eiichi Shinobu.

Faculty heads and prominent citizens will be present at the annual affair.

All associate members, alumni and friends are welcome. Tickets at 60c are obtainable at The New Canadian office or from any of the executives.

Since the executive desires to know how many will be present, those interested are requested to send in their reservations as soon as possible to George S. Yamashita, 48½ East Cordova Street, PAcific 6588.

Localites To Attend Seattle Bussei Meet

SEATTLE. — With Mayor Earl Millikin scheduled to extend greetings, the arrangements committee is completing plans for the Second National Convention of the Young Buddhist League to be held here April 24-27.

Councilwoman F. F. Powell has accepted an invitation to attend the dinner-dance to be held Saturday evening at the Civic Auditorium.

Thursday is the day for registration, with delegates expected from centres throughout all Pacific Coast and Intermountain states.

Delegates from city Bussei groups have applied for foreign exchange permits to attend the gathering, although it is not yet known whether these will be issued. Among those expecting to attend, however, are Eileen Shintani, Shima Ozawa, Miori Miyake, Kiyoshi Suga, Tats Kagawa and Kay Kaminishi.

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NEWSPAPER OF THE NISEI WORLD

Paldi Parade

Baseball . . . baseball . . . seems to be the main topic around here these days. Almost every evening players and would-be players are limbering up their rusty arms at the Mayo Ball Park. The official baseball season will open for the Mayo Athletics, when the local n i n e challenges the Coombs ball team on Sunday, April 20, at Mayo Ball Grounds.

Another Paldi Nisei will venture into the Sea of Matrimony in the near future. Announcement has been made of the engagement of Miss Yaeko Obara, of Cumberland, to Kazuma Yonemura, eldest son of Mr. Yonemura and the late Mrs. Yonemura. Kazuma has resided in Paldi for over 8 years.

The date: May 17, the time: 7:30 p.m., the occasion: the third monthly meeting of the Paldi J.C.C.L., including a welcome social for new members. Such was the decision of a recent meeting with Cossy Asada presiding.

Honorary members elected were Mr. W. Kenyon and Mr. Warren Miller, ardent students of the Japanese language, and Honorary President is Mayo Singh.

Hither and Thither . . .

A most charming visitor to this community is Songstress Grace Terakita, who is the guest of Miss Chie Akiyama . . . . Mr. S. Matsukubo is back in Paldi after an extended trip to Japan . . . . . Visiting Mr. S. Yoshino, bro. Mr. Tosh Omoto and Mrs. Yoshino—in-law and mater to "Pop" . . . . Miss Kay Toyota of Duncan, was back home for the Easter week-end from Victoria where she is high-schooling . . . . Also home for Easter holidays is Miss Shigeko Urabe of Vancouver, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. Urabe, and visiting with her is Mrs. K. Maeda.

Cossie a Casualty . . .

Poor Cossie, it seems he just couldn't shake off bad luck last week. He had just returned to work after a lay-off due to backache (old age, eh?), when he was beaned by falling bark. Ten stitches were required. Right now he's stretched out in Ward 5 of K.D.H, gazing at pretty nurses.

Winchell's Wandering . . .

"It's a boy!" was music to one proud father's ears when the stork presented Mr. and Mrs. Sam Yoshino with an infant son. Father, mother and baby all doing well . . . . We caught friend Bud sitting on his back porch steps patiently counting stars the other night. What we'd like to ask, does he take it up for a hobby . . . FLASH—We've just discovered that Cossy's shoes, despite their gargantuan appearance even to our fair editor, are only size 7½'s . . . . . When four young ladies, and large young ladies at that, squeeze into a bed intended for two, it's quite a feat. But that's what the J. T.'s of Duncan had to put up with when a crowd of late party-spirited folks dropped in last Saturday.

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Coombs Courier

COOMBS. — The Easter holidays found many of the employees in Vancouver taking in the J.C.C.L. dance, the Taiiku concert in New Westminster, the Cherry Blossoms in Stanley Park, and the famous Vancouver sunshine, or shall we say the Rain.

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The holiday spirit was somewhat dampened in the camp here. Mr. V. A. Saunier had his house completely destroyed by fire Saturday forenoon. With the help of friends most of his household furnishings were saved.

And Mr. Hatano was taken to the Nanaimo General Hospital with a badly infected leg.

Summerland Sallies

On Sunday, April 13, the local Nisei Club held its annual spring party and social get-together. Starting with stage shows and ending with a little of the fantasies, a very enjoyable evening was had by all, including a few guests from Kelowna.

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Residents Lose Home . . . .

For the first time, tragedy in the form of a destructive munity here. On Easter Sunday, the home of Mr. M. Kita and family was completely wiped out by a disastrous blaze, which inflicted considerable damage to two adjacent greenhouses.

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family, who lost practically all their personal belongings and valuables.

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won the honour of attending the Mass Display of the Provincial Recreations Centres to be held in Vancouver. He had worked hard for the honour, and well deserved it. His departure for the Coast was prevented by the unfortunate accident.

We hope you get another similar chance Hiroshi, to uphold the honour of the Nisei in the Canadian community!

Cherry Blossomless Festival Attracts Record Crowd

WASHINGTON. — 250,000 visitors thronged the nation's capital Saturday and Sunday last to attend the annual Cherry Blossom Festival.

The weather was ideal, warm and sunny and a temperature of 70, and the crowd was the largest in festival history.

Everything was perfect except for the absence of cherry blossoms; the weather has been favourable, but the trees — a gift from the City of Tokyo—have kept the people of this democracy guessing, mostly wrong. The trees were not expected to bloom in full glory until the middle of this week.

Seek Exhibition Tilts: Setting

Mission Baseball Team Barnstorming

MISSION, B.C.—This town's Nisei baseball nine, though not as yet playing in any established loop, is setting something of a record for barn-storming across the country, and ringing up an average of two exhibition games a week for the past three weeks. Matching pitching and clouting skill against the Inter-City Leage and Bussei League squads, the boys are hitting an even .400 clip.

The locals started off March 30, squeezing the Maple Ridge Farmers of the Bussei League out of a close game, 4-3. Two double plays highlighted the game — Shimoda to Kumamoto to Kanzaki.

On April 7 the boys motored to Queensboro to take in the Taiiku team of the Inter-City loop on a very wet and slippery field. The players couldn't make the oldslippery apple behave, and the only highlights were a double by Taiikujie Yamauchi, and a triple by Abe of Mission. Roy Senda did a superb job of mound duty for Mission, allowing only 2 hits and whiffing twelve, as Mission wound up on the long end of a 7-3 score.

Loss to Fairview

The same afternoon, Mission played Fairview Bussels through a wet drizzle. Although the game was slow, Fairview displayed some heavy clouting, a homer by Ebata and two triples by Nishikawa. Mission had ten hits and were ahead by a run, but were nosed out in the Fairview half of the last inning. Final score 9—8.

Last Sunday, April 13, Mission was again nosed out in the last inning by Kitsilano Bussels. Errors proved costly, especially two that came in the last inning. Mission outhit the town boys 7—4, but the final score was 8—7 in favour of Kitsilano. Chuck Terada held the Mission boys hitless for 5 innings.

In the afternoon, the Mission crew went down to a whitewash before the Maple Ridge nine to the tune of 15—5.

Together with free passes given and errors committed, the Maple Ridge boys had a regularly merry-go-round in the first, fourth and fifth innings.

If any team in the Bussei or Inter-City league class would like to play against Mission, games will gladly be arranged by writing to Showa Service Station, Mission City, B.C.

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CANADA AT WAR

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We can vacation there as pleasantly as ever. But Canada at war takes some new knowing. There are new problems born of new resolve:

"We took up arms with great reluctance. We shall bear them with even greater firmness. We shall not lay them down until honour walks the earth again . . ."

The words are those of Angus Macdonald, Minister of Defence for the Navy. They are quoted in the foreword to one of the chapters of CANADA FIGHTS (New York: Farrar and Rinehard, $2), a detailed study of an American democracy at war.

The volume was compiled under the direction of John W. Dafoe, one of the Dominion's great liberal editors. Bruce Hutchison, Grant Dexter, George V. Ferguson and B. T. Richardson, journalists all, worked with him, as did Dr. Percy Corbett of McGill University.

Together they have drawn a picture of Canada in terms of men in arms, of factories mobilized, of the problems of farm and finance that accompany the "largest national war effort undertaken by a nation of 11,000,000 people." But it is a story, too, of the Canadian people, and of the meaning of hemisphere defense and of an interrelated world which links Canada and the United States far beyond even the commitments of the joint defense agreement of Ogrensburg.

Many Americans will be more than casually interested in the authors' conclusions about the kind of Canada, and the kind of world, they hope will follow the war. Canadians want, as do all the democracies, a world secure from war and privation, a world with liberty of thought, . . . speech, and religion. Nor do they regard these things as millenial. But how to build it?

Canada, the authors feel, does not believe the problem can be solved by a simple Anglo-Saxon union. Moreover, impressive as have been the developments of inter-American relations, peace within the hemisphere will not be enough. Thus Canadians are turning to the realization that the "community of man" can be built only on a world basis. This explains the prominence in Canadian thought to the idea of a "universal association of regional groupings." The regional groups would vary "in form and intimacy" as different tradition, character, and geography require. Thus Canada, though fully occupied by the job of winning the war itself, is looking forward on broad and constructive lines.

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RED CROSS News Notes

Red Cross Relief

Red Cross relief for victims of bomb raids has an estimated value of almost two million dollars. Major items include: men's, women's and children's clothing, blankets and quilts, surgical dressings, surgical instruments and supplies, ambulances, large kitchen canteens, canned fruits and vegetables and jam.

Boys Are Knitting

Five grown-up 'boys' at Lake Buntzen B. C. Electric Power Plant have taken up knitting for the Red Cross. They have graduated from face cloths to scarves and some to socks. It has proved so fascinating that three more are joining the committee.

A Stitch in Time

Powell River residents will have no holes in their stockings if they take up the challenge of the Junior Red Cross Guidance Club which has been presented in this rhyme:

"Every home has a sock to darn,
So we'll take your socks and darn them well,
If they come to us clean, with matching yarn,

Konoye Optimistic in U.S.-Japan Relations

TOKYO. — Premier Prince Fumimaro Konoye in a highly significant statement re-iterated last week that Japan's southward policy was "purely economic and peaceful" and insisted that Japan would not use force to realize its ambitions.

Prince Konoye, whose statement was made at a press conference with Japanese reporters, appeared optomistic regarding United States-Japanese relations.

We acknowledge, however, that Japan's membership in the Rome-Berlin-Tokyo Axis and continuation were obstacles in the path of a completely amicable relationship between Tokyo and Washington.

"Do you think that United States-Japanese relations will get worse?" he was asked.

"I do not think so," the Premier replied.

Discussing trade with the Netherlands Indies, Prince Konoye pointed out that the Dutch possessions should have confidence in Japan's sincerity, as seen in the Japanese-negotiated peace treaty recently between French Indo-China and Thailand. Japan, he said, has "never asked for any compensation" as a result of its good offices.

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Mickey, Kishimoto Tie Consul's Event

Play Off Sunday in Oka Farewell Tourney

Mickey Maikawa and D. Kishimoto, posting net four under par, tied for first place and the Uchiyama Trophy, donated for the welcoming tournament in honour of the new Consul, Ichiro Kawasaki, last Sunday at Langara.

The Consul, shooting a 113, was awarded a "special" prize—a lovely celluloid kewpie doll and a box of chocolates, while the booby prize was awarded to another member of the consulate staff, Mr. Matsumoto.

Low gross honors went to Herby Tanaka, as ideal golf weather ,almost mid-summery, joined hands with the 35 members of the club who took part.

Mikawa and Kishimoto will play off for the trophy this coming Sunday, when the club will again hold a tournament, this time honoring Vice-Consul Y. Oka, who leaves shorty for Portand.

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The Score Cards:—

Maikawa	**81-13, net 68**
Kishimotor	**88-20, net 68**
Takeuchi	**95-24, net 71**
Shimada	**96-25, net 71**
Yamamoto	**98-27, net 71**

Y.Y. Takes Cup In Dub-Dodo Affair

Hiroshi Kuwahara Aces Sixth at Hastings

Doggedly refusing to dub in the accepted tradition or to slice over the fence (as the handicap committee counted on him to do) southpaw "Doc" Yasui paced a field of twenty in the first tournament of the Dub and Dodo Club at Hastings Park Good Friday, to carry off the Jimmy Suzuki-donated trophy, with a net 61, five under par. Playing to a bloated 29 handicap, Yasui toured the 18 holes in even 90.

Net 64's were good enough to win second place ties for Eddie Nakamura, R. Hoshino and Mickey Maikawa, Langara ace, who carded the low gross of 74.

One lone member of the Hastings group of femine divoters took part in the tournament, but just failed to place in the money.

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The rapidly growing Dub Club won its right to use the name "Dodo", when Calgary recruit, Hiroshi Kuwahara, aced the short sixth (allegedly 110 yards) last Sunday. Playing with R. Hoshino, Dan Washimoto and Kunio Shimizu, Kuwahara banged away with a number 8 iron, dropped the ball six feet from the hole, and watched it roll dead to the pin.

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Tennis Club Draws Plans For Season

The Nippon Tennis Courts are all ready for play with all the fancy trimmings including the latest in rubberized tape, arranged by vice-president Mi Akiyama. This Sunday, weather permitting, the Nippon Tennis Club will hold its unofficial opening day during which time the fair lassies of the club will serve tea to the husky males who worked so industriously preparing the courts for play.

The grand opening, of course, will not take place until the annual Red-White Tournament, which will take place this year on May 11. As in past years, the two groups will be selected by the executive committee with the losing team submitting the extra 10 cents for the banquet at the New Pier that evening.

At the first general meeting of the Nippon Tennis Club held last Sunday night, Z. Kinoshita, veteran Nippon player, was chosen to head the Club with the retiring president Y. Iwasaki given the honorary presidency. Other officials elected were: vice-president Minoru Akiyama; secretary-treasurer Yoshio Matsui; assistant secretary-treasurer T. Takenaka; executive committee, Johnny Tanaka, K. Matsubayashi, S. Miyanishi, Tom Iwasaki, Lily Ide and Fumi Deshima.

Nippon Tennis Club will again enter a representative team in the Vancouver & District Tennis League. The Nipponese team which made such a fine showing in their first year will again be captained by veteran K. Matsubayashi, and includes the top-notch players in the club, such as S. Miyanishi, T. Takenaka, S. Ouye, S. Yamashita, S. Hagino, G. Ide, T. Hirano, J. Tanaka, T. Nobuoka, M. Akiyama, T. Iwasaki, and Y. Matsui.

The annual Club Tournament to be held on Sundays, July 13-20-27, will be the first important tournament of the year. Invitation will again be sent to the Seattle Nippon Tennis Club and if it can be arranged the locals will meet Seattle on their home courts around July 1. Among other things discussed at the executive meeting last Wednesday was the question of ladies' matches. Invitation will be extended to C.P.R., West Vancouver, New Westminster and Denman Tennis Clubs during the year.

The final big event will be the B. C. Open Tennis Tourney which will take place on August 31 and September 1. This to be wound up with the traditional Nippon Tennis Club's Labor Day Dance, location unknown as yet.

Yamato Silks and New Pier Set Pace in Own Divisions as 16-Team Bowling Loop Rolls

A regular Japanese night: 16 alleys crammed with Nipponese, both players and spectators, was the scene at the Commodore Bowling Recreations last night as the first all-Nisei bowling league in Vancouver's history went under way with Mr. Roy Shoji tossing down the first ball.

The results of last night's matches were as follows:

Division I

Nippon Auto, 2680 — Yamato Silks, 2705.

Singers, 2504—Shibuya, 2627.

Powell Drug, 2517 — Safety Garage, 2198.

Fuji, 2426—M & N, 2305.

Division II

Empress, 2104—Burrard, 2349

Continental, 2489—Modiste, 2165.

New Pier, 2517—Union Fish, 2508.

Powell Bakery, 2343—Safety Garage, 2199.

Although it was the first time in tournament play for most of the Nisei bowlers, some made amazingly high marks. Most consistent and top bowler was Joe Tenara, who plays for Burrard Bakery. He scored 184 in the first, 280 the second and 263 in the third game for a grand total of 727.

The highest total among the more daintier sex was Kay Uyeno, with three-game total of 530. She rolled 153, 219 and 158.

There were many other high spots during the evening and most noteworthy of them all was Sho Okawara's amazing 315 for a single game. During the game Okawara marked up 8 strikes. Playing on the same team, Pat Ikebuchi of Shibuya's rolled up the highest single game among the girls, getting 259 in her third game.

White Cap Sea Foods is donating the championship trophy and Dr. George Ishiwara will put up a cup to the lady bowler with the highest single score.

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Baseball Lid Blows Off This Sunday

Three Loops Schedule Opening Games

A sure sign that spring is here, the baseball season starts this Sunday. The horsehide and hickory days are here with us again. This Sunday the big guns on the baseball front will blast forth their initial thunderous boom as three separate Nisei baseball leagues in this city roar into action (we hope.)

A rusty game is foreseen in the Japanese League, when Union Fish and Powell Drug tangle in the first game of the three-team Japanese League. The boys have barely had time to oil up their soupbones. Teams have not settled down yet and with a few of the practices rained out, or called off because not enough players turned out, the first game promises to be a sloppy affair. Some of the boys haven't even yet wielded the bludgeon with which they hope to hit over 400 with this year.

Bussei League

The strong calibred Bussei League also booms fire. Hammond followers of the American national game will get their first taste of Bussei Baseball when their home team entertains the well - balanced Fairview Busseis. On Powell Grounds in the morning, the five-time champion Hompa nine will launch their championship drive to retain the pennant cup for the sixth consecutive year when they meet Kitsilano Busseis at 11 o'clock.

Inter-City League.

The enlarged Inter-city Baseball League also christens its 1941 baseball campaign as the defending champion Kitsilano Kyuhins meet Mikados at Model School Grounds. The new-comers from Steveston, Fuji juniors, will attempt to wrest a win from the New Westminster Taiikus on the latter's home ground.

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This balmy weather certainly makes a fellow feel tired and lazy. Especially if he happens to be cooped up indoors with plenty of work on his hand and not a chance in a million for perhaps a bit of pota-digging.

On the subject of 'hito-hori', the Dub and Dodo Club (mostly dubs) held its first tournament on Good Friday. Sporting handicaps anywhere from 9 to 35, the dubs and experts really enjoyed themselves in this first trial tourney.

Most of the dubs faltered and blew up as the tournament pressure so unaccustomed to them, got the better of them; but Doc Yasui, the southpaw dynamo who's been playing a 'just-break-hundred' game so far to sport a 29 handicap, literally burned up the course. He was surprised to find out later that he had won a cup, donated by Jimmy Suzuki in the last moment, which is for keeps. However he wishes he hadn't done so well now because his handicap was cut short 4 strokes to 25. Doc, you'll have to card an 85 to net a 5-under-par again.

Only one accident, besides my 8s and 9s, marred the day as Otto Matsui was struck in the chest on the third fairway by a hard hit iron shot 50 yards away by another golfer who was coming down the first. He's wearing a plaster now.

Familiar Faces Missing

Only two weeks remain before the Asahis swing into their tough '41 schedule. Last night the boys were hard at it limbering up, but surprising was the lack of familiar faces. Old stars who played stellar roles in last year's diamond drama were missing. Nag Nishihara, star chucker and Frank Shiraishi, fleet-footed left fielder, who has been guarding his patch in left field for a good many years are reported to be quitting this year. With the Burrard League as strong as it is this year, the Asahis will surely miss these two veterans, who have been playing close to 10 years for the Nippon team. Rookies are plentiful, but they will take some seasoning before they are capable of holding their own. With this in mind Nag and Frank should come back into the fold and help out the Asahis.

Nag Nishihara if he quits will certainly be missed on the mound. Kaz Suga, capable as he is of holding down two men's jobs, can hardly be expected to keep up the pace himself.

The rest of the team remains the same, Roy Yamamura is still as peppery as ever, so he proved by bowling 693 for the second high total last night at the Commodore. Kaz Suga still smacks them over. While this writer was watching the workout for just a scant moment Kaz knocked out at least a dozen balls out of the grounds. George Shishido, Ken Kutsukake, Yuki Uno are all back and according to Roy the only sure new recruit so far this year is Otto Yanagizawa, who will fill a fielder's position.

Congratulations are extended to Bing Tanaka, our table tennis champ. He's opening his own bicycle and sports shop on Powell Street, next door to the Fuji Chop Suey. Best of luck to you Bing!

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